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BRODHEAD.

Mrs. A. J. Pike and son, Chas., are in Louisville shopping this week. —Mrs. J. G. Frith and son, Governor, are visiting her sister, Mrs. Joshua Dunn, of Danville. —Albert Hiatt, of Louisville, is spending a few days with home folks. —Miss Maud Forbes has left for her home at Level Green after spending a few days visiting friends in this city. —Miss Uta Hutcheson, of Owenton, Ky., and Miss Alma McAfee, of Harrodsburg, Ky., are two charming visitors at Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Hutcheson's. —All who attended the party at Miss Dora Dickerson's last Monday night report a very enjoyable time. —H. H. Hutcheson, of Kirksville, spent last Sunday in Brodhead.

We are glad to say that Dr. Benton is able to be among us again after having been laid up most all winter with rheumatism. —Miss Annie Bronaugh has returned to her home at Crab Orchard after spending a few days with Mrs. L. C. Smith. —Robert G. Wilcott, of Habersham, Tenn., spent last Sunday and Monday with homefolks. —Miss Carrie Frith, of Gum Sulphur, is visiting her uncle, J. G. Frith. —Harvey Owens aged 17, son of James Owens, and Miss Leila DeBard, aged 16, were married last Sunday at Mrs. Roberts in this city. Best wishes for you and yours "Ring." —The Democrats in convention met here last Saturday and endorsed Jas. I. Hamilton for Congress. —W. H. Benton of Livingston, was down Tuesday night calling on one of our fair sex. —Jno. Robins and Barbee McAfee attended Masonic lodge at Crab Orchard Wednesday night. —W. B. Burk, Jr., is in Paint Lick this week on business. —Walter Miller spent last Sunday with homefolks. —The stockholders of the Fair Association meet to night in their office for the purpose of electing officers and deciding upon dates as to when the fair will be held. All stockholders are requested to be present. —Mrs. J. M. Clark is on the sick list.

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MARETBERG.

Mrs. J. J. McCall is with her husband at Hazel Patch this week. —Mr. S. H. Martin, and family of Mt. Vernon, spent Sunday last with Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Houk.

Miss Mollie Carter, of Brodhead, is visiting relatives here. —Miss Allie Lee Houk entertained last Saturday evening, in honor of her guests, Misses Montie Martin and Mary Houk. Every one reports a nice time.

Mr. J. N. Griffin visited relatives at Livingston last week. —Miss Judith McCall returned home from Hazel Patch accompanied by her sister, Miss Grace, and little friend Myrtle Nicholson. —Roscoe Griffin and Fred Purcell made a flying trip to Livingston last week. —Don't forget the supper at our church Saturday night May 12th. Come every one. Come girls and bring your boxes. Come boys and bring your quarters. Everybody is invited. Come!

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Brodhead, Ky., May 9, 1906.
Editor Signal:—

I will give you my views on the county road business. We want good roads can't live but only exist without them. I am for bonds or levy or any old way to get good roads. There should be a competent man in each precinct that knows how to build roads and knows what should be done for a days work and never stop work until roads and bridges are all up.

Our present system will never give satisfactory results. On the roads are put up with proper grades, then expenses are done. It is too bad to live in a country where you at best can't make half time and take half of a load and a good portion of the late winter and early spring can hardly get along on horseback or with an empty wagon. Yours for good roads.
J. H. JARRETT.

QUAIL

John Cress, of Preachersville was in this part first of the week on business. —Broughton & Burk have moved their saw mill near Jacob Elder's. —Mr. H. C. Broughton is improving. —Rev. R. E. Todd filled his regular appointment at Bethel Saturday and Sunday. —Dr. D. E. Proctor will soon have his new store house completed. —Rev. John Todd of Newell, passed through Friday last en route to Buckeye church to fill his appointment. —Sheep shearing is the order of the day at this place. All that want their sheep sheared call on Mr. David Proctor. —"Nailer" Towery, our hustling farmer, says he wants to give advice to farmers who use fertilizers. "Make your fertilizer last two years. Just pull up the old stump and crop your corn in the old hill and then you save breaking, laying off and the extra fertilizer."

George M. Clinger, a survivor of the Sultana disaster of the Civil War, died at Maysville from injuries received by being struck by a train.

Col. Frank Powell, a famous Indian scout, known as "White Beaver," died suddenly on a railroad train near El Paso, Tex.

Mount Vesuvius is again showing signs of considerable activity. The main crater is discharging sand and cinders.

POSTMASTER ROBBED

G. W. Fouts, Postmaster at Riverton, Ia., nearly lost his life and was robbed of all comfort, according to his letter which says "For 20 years I had chronic liver complaint, which led to such a severe case of jaundice that my finger nails turned yellow; and when my doctor prescribed Electric Bitters which cured me and have kept me well for eleven years." Sure cure for Biliousness, Neuralgia, Weakness and all Stomach, Liver, Kidney and Bladder derangements. A wonderful Tonic. At all druggists. 50 cents.

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PINE HILL.

Rev. Howe, from Barboursville, preached here the last Sunday in April. —Myrtle Screech was in Brodhead last week. —Miss Katie Cass and little brother, Robert were the pleasant guest of Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Hilton the latter part of last week. —Mr. Milton Pike, of Lebanon Junction, spent a few days with relatives here. —Mr. Blackburn, pastor of the Methodist church, was among us Sunday. —Mr. John McHargue was in Mt. Vernon on business this week. —Will Pike, of Louisville, brought his family here to visit relatives and friends. —John Berry is home on a visit. —Mrs. Carmon, of Corbin, is visiting her mother, Mrs. Rutherford. —Mr. Elmer Carpenter is home on a visit. Many maidens are smiling now. —Mr. A. R. Furnish was down on legal business last Friday. —There is the finest prospect for an abundant peach crop that we have had for many years. We sincerely hope that this is general and not local. —The clay interests of Pine Hill are booming. —Three gentlemen from Louisville, were out looking over the ground. —Our station has been improved by the addition of a bay window and other conveniences. —Mr. R. L. Collier loaded poles here Wednesday.

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Has it ever occurred to you who a sweetheart of life lies in a few words of appreciation and encouragement? How few of us take the trouble to stop a few moments and praise a servant for work well done or even pause to tell our nearest and dearest how we appreciate all the daily services which we have apparently never noticed. Only a few kind words of appreciation. The cost so little but the recompense is beyond the price. Let the husband tell his wife how much he prizes her love for him and the many, many manifestations of it, and the wife tell her husband how truly she recognizes all his care for her. And the mother should reveal in words how much she values her child's affection when the child who says to its mother, "Thank you for all your love," has rewarded her far beyond knowledge or understanding. The value of judicious praise is beyond all computation. Don't begrudge it. — Somerset Journal.

POLITICS AND POLITICIANS

James E. Burke, a blacksmith, who is serving his fourth term as Mayor of Burlington, will probably be the Democratic nominee for Governor of Vermont this year and it is expected that he will have the vote of a large number of those in the labor ranks who usually support the Republican nominees. He will hold his party strength, and on account of his ability and established merits will have the kindly favor of many Republicans who have no special concern in any labor movement. He works daily at the forge, and says he has not the time to give much attention to the political campaign; but that may be the very reason why the voters will take up his cause and land him safely in the gubernatorial chair, without expense of time or money to himself, and without the scandals so incident in a general campaign fund. The lesson of his election would be a return to plain ways of politics. — Enquirer.

NEWS ITEMS

About 1200 union cigar makers are on a strike in Boston demanding an increase in wages.

Burglars robbed the office of Joseph Leiter in Chicago of bonds and securities valued at about \$12,000.

The police at Barcelona have discovered an anarchist conspiracy. There have been sixteen arrests and eight bombs have been seized.

There was a heavy fall of snow Tuesday in Minnesota. A furious May storm prevailed over Central Wisconsin. Eight inches of snow fell.

The special grand jury which is to investigate insurance matters began Tuesday in New York. Two witnesses were examined during the day.

The question of providing for the unemployed is the most serious problem now vexing the officials and the relief committee at San Francisco.

William M. Ross recently ousted from office by the Kansas Supreme Court was re-elected Mayor of Kansas City, Kan. by a plurality of 1,600 votes.

Mrs. James Vanover Tuesday shot and seriously wounded Mrs. G. W. Noe, near Middlesboro, during an encounter, the cause of which is not known.

Henry Bosworth, State Treasurer, will resist the effort to have him turn over to the receiver, appointed by the Fayette Circuit Court all the bonds belonging to the American Reserve Bond Company which he now holds. An opinion is being prepared by Attorney General N. B. Hays.

In the Federal Court at Owensboro, Judge Ewean sentenced a lawyer to jail for "forty-eight days," but immediately corrected the mistake and called it "hours."

Henry Prewitt, State Insurance Commissioner, has announced that he will oppose any effort by the insurance companies to retrench losses from the San Francisco fire.

Andrew Carnegie Tuesday assisted in laying the corner stone of the fourteen story building in New York, which is to be the headquarters of three national engineering organizations.

Lexington saloon keepers may make a test of the Sunday closing law and take the case to the Court of Appeals. One saloon man was fined and his place of business was ordered closed.

Fred Johnson was arrested in Lafayette, Ind., on a charge of bigamy as a result of a dream which was had by his first wife. In the dream her dead sister appeared and told her that Johnson was married the second time. Johnson confessed.

The Methodist Conference at Birmingham, Ala., was Wednesday advised of the death of Farmington Mo., of the Rev. J. C. Berryman who was the last survivor of the conference of 1844.

The American Reserve Bond Company's mail has been held up in the post office at St. Louis and the companies composing it have been cited to appear before the Postmaster General to show cause why a fraud order should not be issued against them.

The Jessamine County Fiscal Court Tuesday agreed to purchase Brooklyn Bridge across the Kentucky river, for \$5,000. The Mercer County Fiscal Court must ratify the deal. The bridge was built at a cost of \$71,000.

The Red Men of Kentucky have asked the Grand Council of the United States for authority to erect an orphan's home. The State council convened in Frankfort Tuesday and was welcomed by Gov. Beckham.

D. H. Russell, of Louisville, was elected Great Sachem of the Improved Order of Red Men at the annual meeting held in Frankfort. Lexington was selected as the place to hold the next annual convention.

The Senate Wednesday adopted the Elkins amendment to the Railroad Rate Bill, providing against railroads conducting mining operations. The amendment was modified, a provision being inserted making it effective from and after May 1, 1908.

In the United States Court in Chicago the jurisdiction of the Fayette County Court over the assets of the American Reserve Bond Company was denied by Judge Bethea, and the appointment of the Federal receiver confirmed.

Miss Alberta Frank, of Stringtown, Ky., attempted to commit suicide in Denver by shooting herself. An unsteady hand caused the bullet to miss her heart and pass clear of the larger arteries. She will recover.

Subcommittees representing the anthracite miners and mine operators met in New York Tuesday and signed an agreement to continue the award of the Strike Commission for another three years. The miners will return to work as soon as practicable, probably next Monday.

At a conference held by Senator McCreary and Brig. Gen. McKenzie the latter gave out a statement that of the 14 locks required on the Kentucky river, beginning at the Ohio, ten had been completed, and that the remainder would be finished as early as practicable. The work on the Big Sandy river was reported satisfactory.

HOGWALLOW HAPPENINGS

[Hogwallow Kentuckian]

Several bridges were washed out of Gimlet creek by the rise last week, and many people are waiting to get across. These bridges are now located on Gander creek, and all who desire to use them should turn off at the forks of the road just the other side of the stream.

There is some talk of getting the kinks out of Gimlet creek. If this was done the creek would be much longer and the fish could travel up and down it with greater convenience. As the stream now stands it is so crooked that it takes the water several days to travel from its source to the end.

Raz Barlow is not able to be about this week on account of hav-

ing put too much powder in his hol-low tooth in an effort to blow it up.

The post-office tumbled over in the large gully at the rear of the building Thursday morning. It will be put in place again as soon as the mail arrives the last of the coming week.

But Smith will begin to-morrow on an enlargement of his moon light stillhouse. This has been needed for some time, as a dance will be given there in a few days.

It has been discovered that so many of the Hog Ford congregation sets in the back end of the church that an addition will have to be built on that end.

Fishy Hancock's patent flea trap has been put in action after a rest of several months. The trap is not hardly large enough, but a secret in the flea crop has already been noticed around Hogwallow. In fact the people clean up as far as Bonning Billows are feeling the effects. Only one flea at a time is caught, but Fishy is present at all hours to turn it out so the next one can come in.

LAND STOCK AND CROP

John Kaufman bought from Henry Moore a car load of fat steers and heifers for 4 cents. They averaged 1,000 pounds. — Sim Wies-eback weighed up eleven head of butcher cattle bought from J. H. Graves at 4 cents. — Lexington Gazette.

Marr & Juett, of Cynthiana, bought of L. B. M. Bedford, of Burlington 100 tons of timothy hay at \$8.50 per ton. — Joseph Stuart sold to Balkwin Bros., 35 fat hogs at 6 cts. He also sold to Buff Woods 54 lambs at 6 cents per pound, and 340 pounds of wool at 30 cents. — Paris Kentuckian.

Steers are now at the low point of the year and the market is in a condition decidedly discouraging to feeders says the Breeder's Gazette. Weight is at a discount and it is the season when it is in profuse supply, as feed-lots are being cleaned out. Most of the cattle now coming in while not finished have eaten considerable corn and are thick. — While numerically the run is light, in pounds of beef it is heavy. A decline of 50.75 cents per cwt has occurred on the bulk of steers since the inception of Lent. Killers are now getting a large number of cattle at \$5.15 that were \$5.60 75 before the decline set in. Where feeders had a profit then they are suffering a loss now. A decline of 25 cents has occurred during the past week and more cattle are now selling under 50 than at any previous time this year.

SUNFLOWER PHILOSOPHY.

[Attributed to (Kan.) Globe.]

No man is as dangerous as his threats.

Men who have violated the law say it is not hard to do.

When a man contracts either the tobacco habit or small-pox, it is hard to get rid of.

Some children grow so fast that the shoes that fit them at night are too small in the morning.

Sometimes they say it is a case of mother-in-law when it is only a plain case of bad husband.

What has become of the old-fashioned woman who called her masculine kin "the men folks?"

When a woman walks along the streets with dark with a dollar in her pocket, she thinks every man she don't meet is following her.

Some of the crazy men refuse to go peacefully to asylums, but insist that they are the wisest men in the world, and that they are divinely appointed to "save" people who are perfectly sane.

Why does a man want to kiss a woman who has never encouraged him and who does not want to be kissed? Some races of men never kiss; they never feed of the custom. But to kiss a woman fighting like a wildcat, and who is flushed and angry, and who will sputter and scream, and then go home and tell, cannot be any pleasure.

An employee that quits one job and then roasts his former employer and tells all he knows about his business is a mighty poor sort of a man to have around. The tale-bearer is always an incompetent who seeks to cover up his incompetency by a ready flow of other office secrets. He is a dangerous man because his breeding and lack of common business decency makes him so. — Newspaperdom.

KENTUCKY FAIR DATES.

The following are dates fixed for holding Kentucky Fairs for 1906 as far as reported. Officers of fairs are requested to report to us any omission or correction of dates:

Brodhead, Aug. 15-3 days.
Lancaster, July 18-3 days.
Houstonville, July 25-3 days.
Madisonville, July 31-5 days.
Danville, August 1-3 days.
Harrodsburg, Aug. 7-4 days.
Fern Creek, Aug. 14-4 days.
Vanceburg, August 15-4 days.
Columbus, August 21-4 days.
Shepherdsville, August 21-4 days.
Lexington, August 21-4 days.
Springfield, August 22-4 days.
Barbourville, August 22-3 days.
Cynthiana, August 23-3 days.
Nicholasville, August 28-2 days.
Shelbyville, August 29-4 days.
London, August 29-3 days.
Florence, August 29-4 days.
Bardonia, August 29-4 days.
Somerset, Sept. 5-4 days.
Elizabethtown, Sept. 4-3 days.
Paris, September 4-2 days.
Moultisville, Sept. 11-4 days.
Glasgow, Sept. 12-4 days.
Falmouth, Sept. 26-4 days.

President Roosevelt suggests that the Government should investigate railroads in the same manner as it does national banks. — Philadelphia North American.

It is said Senator Depew will vote for Smoot's expulsion, and no other Senator could have voted for Depew's expulsion. — Houston Post.

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OLD HICKORY CHIPS.

[By our Associate Editor.]

If the Czar really wants to do business with that new Parliament he ought to hire Uncle Joe for Speaker.

The Standard Oil Company ought to feel in wonderful sympathy with the President in his remarks about the Man with the Muck Rake.

By way of showing that the war is really over, the War Department has cancelled the permit for the two mules and an escort wagon that were to have accompanied "Father" Sherman on his march to the sea.

The New York immigration authorities have turned back one applicant for admission because he had a swell head. Good thing this is not a deplorable offense with the natives or it would play havoc with New York's next census.

The only people who were hurt in the earthquake at Monterey were a bridal couple who were hit by a falling chimney. Pity they had not been married a few years in which case the same chimney would never have hit both of them.

A MOUNTAIN OF COLD

could not bring as much happiness to Mrs. Lucia Wilke, of Caroline, Wis., as did one 25c box of Bucklen's Arnica Salve, when it completely cured a running sore on her leg, which had tortured her 23 long years. Greatest antiseptic healer of Piles, Wounds, and Sores 26c at all druggists.

Count Witte's successor will never be popular with the American newspapers. How is the puzzle to do anything with a name like Goremykin? — [Washington Post.]

The Irishman evidently had been drinking a little. He climbed into one of the two bootblack chairs in front of the Tribune Building, and after settling himself comfortably, glanced at his next chair neighbor. Then he laughed. His neighbor who was a pompous negro about 50 years old dressed in clerical garb, frowned.

"Well, Smucky," said the Irishman, ignoring the negro's look of disapproval, "this surely is a queer country. Here I am and there you are. It's not so long since I was a bog trotter and I suppose you were a slave. And here we have two Dago descendants of Julius Caesar shining our brogans."

WHY THE EARTH TREMBLED.

Here are some of the reasons given for the disaster at San Francisco.

Shifting of strata at great depth beneath the Pacific coast, where the geological formation is comparatively recent—the activity of Mr. Rainer this year being the indication.

Inflow of water from the sea through new fissures in the earth's crust somewhere along the coast.

Bursting of beds overlying pent-up non-volcanic gases.

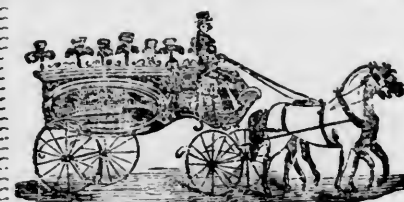
Shifting of semi-solid strata far beneath the earth's surface, with the possible up ending of large sections of strata.

Displacement of rock resulting from penetration of large quantities of lava into the outer part of the earth's crust. Change of bed of Pacific ocean, or action of volcanoes beneath the sea.

Uncle Joe Cannon says he is tired of listening to nonsense. Speaker, you know, is forced to hear all the speeches in the House. — New York Herald.

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PERSONAL

Will Ames was in town again this week.

Mrs. L. W. Bethurum is very much improved over last week.

Mrs. Susan Henderson is with friends and relatives here for a few days.

Miss Annie Thompson has been numbered among the sick for several days.

Miss Lillie Butler is visiting her mother, Mrs. J. L. Munday, in Lexington.

Dr. L. W. Jones was here Saturday to see his sister, Mrs. L. W. Bethurum.

Miss Miranda McKenzie is visiting the family of her uncle, James McKenzie.

John Magee, of Lancaster, was mingling with his many friends here Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Houston McFerron spent Tuesday with their son, R. L. McFerron.

Mrs. A. C. Towery was over on Wednesday having Dr. Niles do some dental work.

U. B. C. and R. A. Whitehead spent Monday and Tuesday in Lexington on business.

Mrs. F. E. Adams left on the Lexington and Louisville morning train for Lexington.

John D. Adams left on the Lexington and Louisville morning train for Lexington.

Mrs. E. J. Thompson and John Adams, of Princeton, spent Wednesday until today with relatives here.

Capt. W. R. Dillon, of London, was on Tuesday afternoon's train returning from Illinois, where he purchased a large saw mill complete.

Charles and Charlie Johnson spent Saturday night with their parents in Lexington. They are doing well in the new school in Lexington.

Walter C. B. and P. C. Lick were in Lexington on Monday.

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Two weeks from next Monday Circuit Court.

Friday and Saturday May 18 and 19 will be examinations for county teachers.

The Rev. Geo. O. Barnes closed a several days' meeting at Hostonville, Lincoln county, Wednesday. He is now more than eighty years old.

Rev. McCullum will preach at the Christian church next Sunday, subject for the morning "Ezekiel's Vision" and evening, "A great Captain as a great Captain."

M. J. Fanning the great Irish actor, will lecture at the Court house Wednesday evening May 17th, beginning at 7:30. Subject: "My Country and Yours, what shall I be?"

Capt. R. M. Jackson has been appointed by Gov. Beckham as Commissioner to represent Laurel county in Louisville during home coming week. We do not know of any person in the county, who could so acceptably fill the position of receiving old Laurel county citizens.—Laurel County Local.

REWARD.—I will pay a reward of \$10.00 for the arrest and conviction of the party or parties, who are down my wire fence. I also want to serve notice, that I do not want any more passing through my fields and parties guilty of same will be prosecuted.

W. M. Poynter.

McKenzie Brown, of this office, will spend one or two days each week in the county soliciting for subscriptions and job work. Those having business with the paper, will greatly oblige the management by calling on him. He will take your orders for job work and all orders shall have our prompt attention.

CHEAP RATES.—The L. & N. offers the following cheap rates: To Paris May 21 and 22 limit May 25, for \$3 round trip, account the Grand Commandery, Knight Templars of Kentucky; To Berea June 10 to 12 limit June 15, 95 cts. round trip, State reunion G. A. R.; Tickets will be on sale from May 29 with a three days limit, to Louisville and return to \$3.10.

FREE TRIP.—If you want a free trip to Mammoth Cave, now is the time to enter the SIGNAL contest. All that is required to get the trip, all expenses paid, is a club of twenty-five (25) new cash subscribers of \$1.00 to the MT. VERNON SIGNAL. There are already several who have begun making up clubs. The trip will take place some time in August. Just make up your mind that you intend to make this trip and it is half made.

Parman, of the Democratic County Committee, the democrats of Princeton, met in convention at the new hall Brothead, Ky., on Monday, May 7, 1906. Chairman, O. A. Frith.

See also on Monday, James D. Ham and seconded by Granville Owens, W. H. Sowder, was elected precinct Chairman. On motion of Granville Owens and seconded by Dr. Percy Benton, convention unanimously endorsed, the Hon. James I. Hamilton, of Garrard county, for the nomination by the Democratic Party as their candidate for Congress in this the eighth Congressional District of Kentucky. On motion convention adjourned.

H. O. Cable, Chairman.
O. A. Frith, Secretary.

Hon. B. J. Bethurum has been appointed Commissioner for Rock castle county for "Home Coming Week" in Louisville June 13 to 17. Headquarters for Rockcastle will be in new Army building, where Commissioner Bethurum and his assistants will receive the former Rockcastle people. There is a small cost attached for badges for the Rockcastle visitors and a register of about \$20, which the county is supposed to pay and in other counties of the state this amount is being made up by subscriptions. The register which will have the name and address of all former Rockcastle people, who are present during the "Home Coming Week" will be sent here and held as one of the county's souvenirs. Those who are willing to donate a small amount to this laudable effort, no matter how much or how little, can send same to Mr. Bethurum, the Commissioner, or to E. S. Albright and your name will be recorded as one of the contributors.

Quite a number of Rockcastle people, now living in other states, have expressed their intentions of coming to the "Home Coming Week." It has been suggested by some of our enterprising citizens, that Rockcastle have a "Home Coming" at this time that those who visit Louisville, be given a cordial welcome to come on to Rockcastle. A committee will be appointed to take the matter in charge and arrange for a reception or banquet in honor of the "Home Comers." It is estimated that there will be 300 to 350 former Rockcastle citizens at the "Home Coming Week."

LIVINGSTON

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Rice returned to their home at Lebanon Junction Wednesday.—Miss Jesse Bogart returned Monday from Cincinnati where she has been for the past five weeks.—Eugene Ondorff, of Newark, Ohio, spent several days with his parents this week.—Mrs. W. F. Tubbs and family are visiting Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Mullins, of LaFollette, Tenn.—Miss Delia Mink returned to LaFollette Tuesday after a pleasant stay here of three weeks.—Mr. J. W. Baker was in Louisville first of the week buying goods.—Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Wright and family leaves to day for Louisville to spend several days.—Sheriff R. L. McFerron was in town Tuesday on official business.

Miss Bertine Mullins returned to Stanford Monday after a pleasant visit to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Mullins. She expects to spend the summer there.—Mrs. Cecil Henry, of West Liberty, spent Saturday with her cousins, Mrs. W. J. Childress and Mr. Georgia McFerron.—Mr. John Howell, of Corbin, spent a few days with homeicks this week.—Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Mullins and Mrs. Manie C. Albright, of Mt. Vernon, were pleasant visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jerome Adams this week.—Miss Georgia Cress of Corbin, is spending the week with Miss Annie Griffin.—Mr. Dee Bryant is visiting his family for a few days this week.—Mrs. Sallie Ballard and Miss Lizzie Adams, of Mt. Vernon were guests of the home of Mr. and Mrs. G. D. Cook the first of the week. Mr. Jess McFerron returned Saturday to Hamilton, Ohio, where he has a position.—Mrs. Farley was in Stanford Wednesday on business.—Misses Lula and Ella Ager bright returned Sunday from Lexington accompanied by their niece Miss Florence Price.—Mrs. W. C. Chambers and daughters, Clara and Rath, of Paris, visited Mrs. J. A. McRoberts Monday and Tuesday.—R. A. Whitehead is in Louisville this week buying goods.—Mrs. J. A. McRoberts surprised her husband with an elegant birthday dinner quite a number of invited guests were present, and all seated at the table when Mr. McRoberts arrived. He was very much surprised and enjoyed it thoroughly.

BROWN ME MORAL SCHOOL.

BEE KEEPING.

Since many people are more interested in bee profits than bee habits, it might be well, as we have said a good deal about hive life, to give attention to the practical art of bee-keeping.

In order that every thing said may be trusted, we shall quote directly from the best bee authority in the country, namely from specialists. First we shall learn where bees can be kept; what use they are to crops; and how stings may be avoided in the handling of the honey-makers.

"It may be safely said that any place where farming, gardening or fruit raising can be successfully followed is adapted to the profitable keeping of bees in a limited way at least, if not extensively. Many of these localities will support extensive apiaries. In addition to this there are, within the borders of the United States thousands of good locations for the apiculturists—forest, prairie, swamp, and mountain regions—where agriculture has not yet gained a foothold, either because of remoteness from markets or the uninviting character of soil or climate.

The values of bees in the pollination of various fruit and seed crops is often sufficient reason to warrant the keeping of a small apiary, even if circumstances do not favor its management in such a manner as to secure the largest possible crops of honey or to insure the sav-

ing of all swarms. The quality and quantity of many varieties of apples, plums, pears, and small fruits depend absolutely upon complete cross-pollination. The most active agents in this work are honey bees.

Any person with fairly steady nerves and some patience and courage can easily learn to control and manipulate bees. There are, it is true a few exceptional individuals whose systems are particularly susceptible to the poison injected by the bee, so much so that serious effects follow a single sting. Such cases, are, however, very rare. In most instances where one is not taken to avoid all stings the system eventually becomes accustomed to the poison so that beyond momentary pain a sting causes no inconvenience.

To a certain extent the belief exists that bees have, without apparent cause, a violent dislike for some people, while others without any effort are received into their favor. The latter part of this proposition has a better foundation than the first part, for it is the actions, rather than any peculiarity of the individual himself, that angers the bees.

Bees prefer of course, not to be disturbed, hence they usually keep guards on the lookout for intruders. When visitors approach the hives these guards are apt to fly towards them as if to inquire whether harm is intended or not, and should the visitor not inspire them with fear by using smoke or other similar means but should show fear and nervousness, he will be very likely to arouse their suspicions still further, or endeavor to dodge their approach. Indeed, one not accustomed to the notes of bees is very likely unconsciously to dodge his head about when a worker buzzes uncomfortably close to his face. It may be a movement of the head or two but perhaps a quick jerk and is resented; a sting follows. The recipient declares that he did nothing to cause the attack, but that bees merely hate him and always sting him when he approaches them. On the other hand, an equally unprovoked person who moves about with deliberation may generally find under the same circumstances he is not stung. A sting it is in this case not so much what he does as what he does not do.

ADJOINING COUNTIES.

Among counties of Kentucky scheduled for visitation of seven-beekeepers this year are: Blair, Cumberland, Clinton, Pulaski, Wayne and Russell.

Secretary Wilson gives warning that the bees may be expected during the last week in May. Although the bees may make a great deal of noise the actual damage they do is slight. "As a precaution however," he adds, "it might be well not to locate new orchards in recently cleared ground this spring or in proximity to woods."

At a meeting of the State Normal School Commission, held in Louisville Monday, the cities of Richmond and Bowling Green were selected as the sites for the two normal schools provided for by the last legislature. The decisions were unanimous and schools will be established as soon as practicable.

The collections in the Eighth District Internal Revenue office for the month of April are reported by Collector Cooper as follows: List, \$818.57; beer, \$1,800; spirits, \$207.73; 47; cigars, \$37.50; case, \$518; tobacco, \$239.10; specials, \$148.91 Total, \$2,107.52. These figures show a falling off from the receipts of the previous month of \$72,060.59 and a gain over the corresponding month last year of \$28,421.75.

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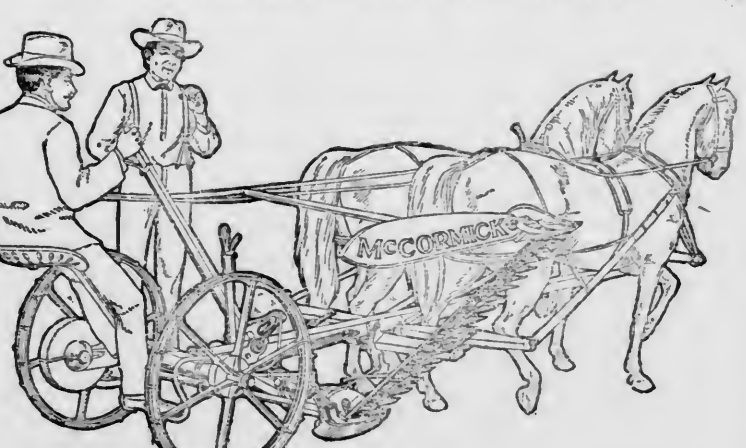
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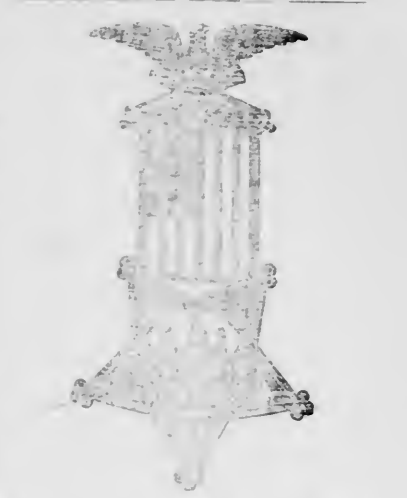
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MAGAZINE SECTION.

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SUCCESSFUL SCULPTRESS.

Miss Evelyn Longman of Chicago Awarded Fifteen Thousand Dollar Prize.

To Carve Bronze Doors at Annapolis Naval Academy—Has Attained Fame Through Her Figure of "Victory" at St. Louis Fair.

When the new bronze entrance doors of the Annapolis Naval Academy are completed and hung in place there will exist another monument to the skill of American women. Colonel Robert M. Thompson, who presented these doors to the academy as a memorial of the class of '68, stipulated in making the offer that the design selected for the doors should be awarded by competition, the winner to receive a prize of \$15,000. There were thirty-three competitors for this prize, an unusually large number, and the designs submitted are said to have been of a high degree of excellence. The votes of all five jurors were cast for the model presented by Miss Evelyn B. Longman, of Chicago.



MISS LONGMAN'S STATUE OF "VICTORY" AT THE CHICAGO EXPOSITION.

Miss Longman's design has two panels representing "Peace" and "War." On the peace panel is a figure symbolizing science, an old man in an attitude of deep thought, explaining a difficult problem to two students of the academy. On the war panel patriotism is represented by a female figure, symbolical also of the home, the protection of which is assumed to be the reason for the existence of the navy. Under her draperies is a coat of armor, and with one hand on a cannon she points with the other to the distance, where masts of ships show the destination of the marching figures in the background.

In the upper panels of the door are festoons supported by shells—of oak leaves over the war panel and olive over that of peace. In the lower panels wreaths of the same leaves enclose the names of naval heroes. In the transom is the dedication to the class of '68, and above the transom is a group representing Fame—two laurel-crowned figures on either side of an altar-like pedestal, with an inscription to John Paul Jones, whose bones are to rest in the crypt of the chapel. The pedestal is surmounted by a tripod, from which issue flames, symbolizing enduring fame.

Award to Woman Unprecedented

The award of this prize to a woman is said to be an unprecedented event in the artistic history of the country, and a bright future is predicted for the young sculptress.

"I consider Miss Longman to be one of the most promising of our younger sculptors," said Mr. Daniel C. French, whose assistant she has been for the last four years.

Miss Longman was born in Winchester, Ohio, her father, Edwin H. Longman, being a musician and an artist. Drawing was one of her childish amusements, and she began modeling without instruction in the art department of Olivet College. Her work there attracted the attention of Lorado Taft, who invited her to enter the Chicago Art Institute as his pupil. She did so, and during the first year paid her expenses by doing library work. Then she was made an assistant instructor in the school, and a year or two later she came to New York, where she soon after became an assistant to Mr.

Taft. She is rather proud of the fact that she has never studied abroad, and also that she has been able to meet all the expenses of her artistic education herself.

Sculptress Is Already Famous.

The best known work of Miss Longman is the bronze figure of "Victory," which was carved for the Festival Hall at the St. Louis World's Fair. For this she was awarded a silver medal. At the close of the fair the original was brought to the Chicago Art Institute. A bronze reproduction has been purchased by the Union League Club and will adorn the entrance to the club-rooms.

Another one of Miss Longman's works which has won commendation is a bronze figure of "Death," which she recently completed, and which is to be placed on the Story monument in the cemetery at Lowell, Mass.

WOMAN CIVIL ENGINEER.

Granddaughter of Mrs. Stanton Has Offer to Go to China.

Miss Nora Stanton Blatch, granddaughter of Mrs. Elizabeth Cady Stanton, is now a member of the American Society of Civil Engineers. She is the first woman admitted to membership, and, it is said, there was not a dissent.

SAN FRANCISCO HORROR.

Terrible Destruction of the City by Violent Earthquake and Flames.

Fire Results in All Parts of Metropolis—Geological Scientists Say No Connection Between Quake and Vesuvius Eruption.

It was during the repose of early morning; the Spring-time sun was casting its golden rays over the Sierra Nevada and striking down into the peaceful, slumbering valley of the Sacramento. All the Western Hemisphere was at peace with the elements. Suddenly there came an awful growling and crashing beneath the very center of San Francisco, and in a tenth of the space of time required to describe the event, falling walls and fire combined to work on the metropolis of the Pacific the most appalling natural calamity which has occurred on this continent since the landing of the Pilgrims. The destruction that has been accomplished is almost incalculable. The inferno of flames which burst forth simultaneously in various parts of the city was rendered still more terrible by the repeated quakings of the earth, by which the rescuers were in momentary danger of being buried with the dead beneath the falling structures. The very earth itself—our own mother earth—proved as treacherous as a deadly snake, and the usual ocean breeze, by a strange perversion of nature, hauled around to a point where it fanned the flames to intensity and became a deadly agent of destruction. The general dismay of the populace was augmented by the constant roar of dynamite explosions, made in a vain effort to check the progress of the flames. The vast pall of smoke that blotted out the sky did not tend to alleviate the general anxiety. Yet, in such surroundings, calculated to inspire universal panic and madness, there were performed numberless feats of heroism that will remain on the scroll of time as illustrious proofs of the nobility which is hidden beneath the surface of ordinary life. Cool heads and brave hands, with stout hearts behind them, performed their work of rescue in the very face of death, and even the indescribable horror of the earthquake was overcome.

San Francisco, a rich and proud city, has been swept by fires before and has, phoenix like, arisen from her ashes. Moreover, she has more than once experienced earthquake tremors which were, to say the least, injurious and menacing. But America is a cemented nation. The disasters of one section bring together in one grand sympathetic bond the inhabitants of the others, all anxious and insistent upon holding out the helping hand and voicing words of sympathy to the afflicted sister States, cities and towns throughout the entire Union have offered unstinted assistance in the way of money, food, clothing and medical attendance, with which to relieve the want, not only of San Francisco, but also the other California cities and towns which have suffered with the metropolis of the State.

No Connection With Vesuvius.

Coming as this disaster did, practically coincident with the Vesuvian calamity in Italy, many persons suppose that there was a direct relation between the two. This idea, however, is logically contradicted by Director Charles D. Walcott, of the Geological Survey. Mr. Walcott holds that there is no possibility of a connection between the earthquake and the Italian volcano, for these two are entirely different scientific phenomena responsible for such earthquakes and volcanic disturbances.

Great earthquakes, says Mr. Walcott,

in the already hardened shell that surrounds the inner mass. That shell must give way at some point. Aside from the contractions of the earth's surface, another cause is given that might affect the changing of the surface of a given part of the world. This cause is the accumulation of a vast weight of sedimentary deposit brought down by rivers. For example, the Mississippi River is entirely made up of the deposits of the streams washing down from higher lands. The weight of that deposit would be difficult to calculate, and resting upon a portion of the earth's shell, might occasion its sinking. This theory is held by some scientists in connection with the California disaster, for the Sacramento River is the depositor of vast weights of sediment in the Pacific waters near San Francisco.

Greatest Natural Disasters of History.

Pompeii and Herculaneum destroyed by eruption of Mount Vesuvius A. D. 79; more than 20,000 lives lost. Earthquake in Constantinople, thousands killed; year 557. Catania, Sicily, 15,000 persons killed by earthquake; year 1137. Syria, 20,000 killed by earthquake; year 1158. Cilicia, 20,000 killed by earthquake; year 1268. Palermo, earthquake, 6,000 lost; year 1726. Canton, China, 1,000,000 lost by earthquake; November 30, 1731. Kuchan, North Persia, 40,000 lost; earthquake; year 1755. Lisbon city, ruined by earthquake, 25,000 killed; November, 1755. Aleppo, destroyed by earthquake, thousands killed; year 1822. Canton, earthquake, 6,000 lost; May 27, 1839. Calabria, earthquake, 10,000 lost; year 1857. Island of Krakatoa, volcanic eruption, 36,389 lives lost; May 27, 1883. Eruption of Mauna Loa, Hawaii, 79 killed; year 1880. Isle of Ischia, earthquake, 2,000 lost; year 1883. Charleston, S. C., earthquake, 41 lives lost; August 31, 1886. Bandalsan, volcanic eruption, 1,000 killed; July, 1888. Island of Hondu, Japan, earthquake, 10,000 killed; October, 1891. Venezuela, earthquake, 3,000 killed; April 24, 1894. Guatemala, earthquake, great loss of life; April, 1902. St. Pierre, Martinique, Mont Pelee, May, 1902; loss of life, 40,000. Vesuvius towns destroyed by eruption of volcano, April, 1906; 400 or more killed. San Francisco, April 18, 1906, earthquake, followed by fire.

THE SURGERY OF THE ANCIENTS.

What is known to modern dentists as bridge work was familiar to the Etruscans, as extant specimens attest, according to an interesting article in the British Medical Journal. Plaster ears, noses and lips were common among the Indians, where the cutting off of these features was a punishment much in use, and Greek and Roman veterans who had lost a leg or an arm in war tried to make good the deficiency by artificial substitutes. It is stated further: "What is said to be the oldest artificial leg in existence is now in the museum of the Royal College of Surgeons of England. It was found in a tomb at Capua. Pliny speaks of a Roman warrior who, a century and a half before the birth of Christ, wore an artificial limb. In the Middle Ages artificial limbs sometimes repaired the disabilities of war. The 'iron hand' of Goetz von Berlichingen was an ingenious piece of mechanism made for that famous knight in 1504. A century later an artificial hand was



THE CAPITOL PLAZA AS IT WILL APPEAR WHEN NEW BUILDINGS ARE COMPLETED.

China of a place in one of the corps of engineers organized by that country for the development of its railroad system. The offer came, too, from a young Chinaman who was taking a graduate course at Cornell while she was there. The graduate student was sent here, it is said, not only to increase his technical knowledge of engineering, but to obtain for his country the best engineers to be had. He watched Miss Blatch's work closely and offered her a place.

An ostrich egg weighs about three and a half pounds. It is less delicate in flavor than a hen's egg, although perfectly edible. It is a curious fact that ostrich eggs will keep fresh for two or three months. The flesh of the ostrich itself is edible, being not unlike veal in flavor.

are never caused by volcanoes, but by faulting plains. This is particularly true of both seaboard of the United States. Mr. Walcott and other scientists of the Geological and Geodetic Surveys agree that scientifically the recent disturbances were caused by conditions identical with those pertaining during the earthquake which demolished Charleston, S. C., on August 31, 1886. Volcanoes occasionally cause shaking of the earth's crust, but the disturbances occasioned by pent-up gases seeking to escape are felt only locally.

The cause generally attributed to earthquakes is the gradual cooling of the earth, which is known to still be a molten mass inside. When any object cools it contracts, and so will the earth as it grows colder. This contraction would unavoidably cause a disturbance

worn by Christian, Duke of Brunswick. Ambrose Pare devised artificial limbs with movable joints, which were made for him by artificers, of whom Lorraine, a locksmith, was the most famous. Pare devotes a special chapter to the means of repairing or supplying natural or accidental defects in the human body. He describes artificial eyes and noses, an artificial tongue and an artificial palate. At a later period Father Sebastian, Carmelite monk, made movable arms and hands. In the earlier part of the seventeenth century Peter Lowe, in his 'Discourses on the Whole Art of Chirurgery,' gives representations of artificial legs. About the middle of the same century Fallopius, a Florentine surgeon, mentions the use of artificial eyes of silver, gold and crystal painted in various colors.

LAYING CORNERSTONE.

Impressive Ceremony Incident to Construction of New Capitol Buildings.

President Roosevelt and Speaker Cannon, Both Masons, Are Principal Actors—\$10,000,000 for Senate and House.

When President Roosevelt, on April 14th, laid the cornerstone of the new office building for the House of Representatives, it marked the beginning of improvements on Capitol Hill which will make that section of Washington comparable with the ancient hills of Rome and Greece crowned with magnificent buildings in which met the solons of ages past.

This new building occupies a square and is about a hundred yards distant



PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT.

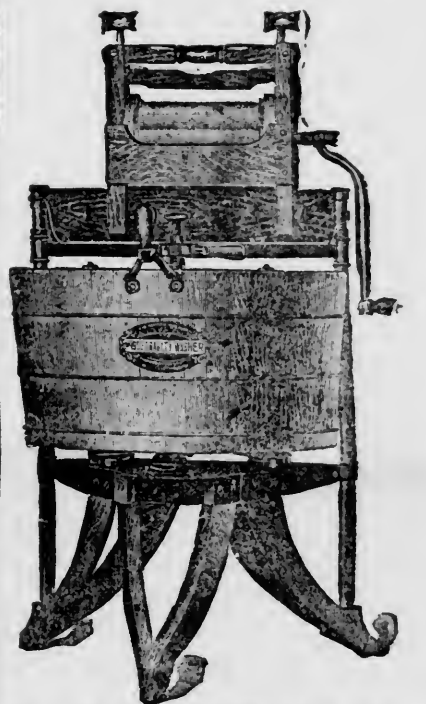
from the south wing of the Capitol, with which it is to be connected by an underground passageway, through which members of Congress may pass back and forth from the legislative hall to their offices. There are 410 office rooms, providing a room for each Representative in Congress and Delegate, and leaving vacant nineteen rooms for a future growth in the membership of the House through a reapportionment of districts or the admission of new States. The House annex and the Senate office building, also under construction at the opposite end of the plaza, are being put up to provide for the members of the National Legislature, quarters absolutely needed for the efficient transaction of public business. The great growth in size of both branches of Congress has caused the Capitol building to be enlarged, but this was only sufficient to provide the necessary space for the assembly halls of House and Senate and the committee rooms, the latter in many cases being small and badly ventilated. Under present conditions individual members (unless they happen to be chairmen of committees) have no offices and a badly congested condition exists. Realizing the need of one great legislative centre where Senators and Representatives may concentrate their activities and be comfortably quartered, Congress three years ago authorized the construction

from the effect of the Capitol itself. The exterior design for the buildings is classic, suggesting in its general division of parts the Garde Meuble in the Place de la Concorde, Paris, while the pavilions are modeled on those of the Colonnade de Louvre. Architecturally the front is divided into two parts, the lower corresponding to the first story of the building constituting a "rusticated" base, on which extending through the second and third stories, is the colonnade, surmounted by its entablature and balustrade. It is believed that the effect of the two flanking buildings will be to give unity to the whole scheme and to emphasize architecturally the great beauty of the Capitol, all of the lines leading up to and centering in its dome.

Work Progressing Rapidly.

Although the digging of the trenches for the House office building was begun less than a year ago, the structure is now up to the first floor line. To hasten the work Elliott Woods, Superintendent of the Capitol, directed that construction begin before all the specifications and contracts were complete. This was done through letting of the stone contract first, by authority of the House Building Commission. It is calculated that both buildings will be ready for the Sixtieth Congress.

In accordance with Masonic traditions, the ceremony was conducted in the open air, in a simple, unostentatious manner. In every detail it corresponded as nearly as practicable with the historic ceremony in which President Washington participated. The articles placed in the cornerstone were largely identical in character with those deposited in the original Capitol stone by Federal Lodge, and, as both President Roosevelt and Speaker Cannon are members of the Masonic order, the occasion in every way harmonized with the spirit of the ceremony directed by the Virginia jurisdiction in laying the cornerstone of the Capitol.



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of the House and Senate office buildings.

Senate Ceremony Next Fall.

The House annex was started first and is in a more advanced stage of construction than the Senate building, though the cornerstone of the latter may be ready to put in place next Fall. It is estimated that the two buildings together will involve an outlay of about ten million dollars. In size and design they are identical; they occupy positions balanced in their relation to the Capitol and are planned to fit into a general architectural scheme. The height of the buildings has been restricted that they may not overpower the Capitol, and they have been kept simple in design, without pediments, domes or other accentuated points to prevent their detracting in any way

THE VESUVIAN TERROR.

Vivid Description of Great Eruption Which Rivals Pompeii's Destruction.

The Famous Italian Novelist, Marion Crawford, Tells of the Terrors of the Big Volcano—History of Former Eruptions.

The whole world looked on, awestruck, at the recent fierce outbreak of stupendous and devastating force in the Bay of Naples. The eruption of Mount Vesuvius is believed to be the most destructive since the days of Pompeii, A. D. 79.

The whole story of the eruption of 1906 is a sorrowful tale of stricken victims, devastated vineyards, ruined homes and terror-stricken, flying people, and it is hard to realize that the same scenes have been enacted there so many times before.

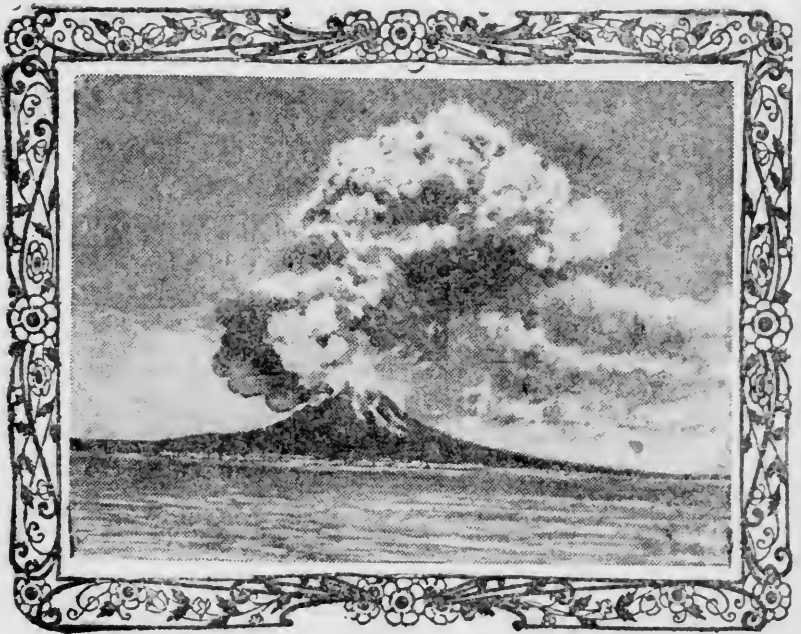
Pliny, the noted ancient historian, described the eruption of Vesuvius in the year 79, in a series of letters to Tacitus. This letter described a dark cloud rising in a single pillar from the crater of the mountain and from this a column spread, and upon it rested a great roof, built by invisible carpenters. Resting over on its single pillar, like a great mushroom, this roof shut out the sky from all those wide acres extending sixteen miles away. The light ashes of the fire from Vesuvius descended like snow upon Pompeii, burying it to great depths. Herculaneum was drowned in a sea of volcanic mud.

Those who have read the letters of Pliny find similarity in the description written by the noted novelist, Marion Crawford. There is probably no other American living who is so well acquainted with conditions as they exist in Italy. He has taken up his permanent abode in the Italian hills. The

In prehistoric days Vesuvius was probably twice as high, the top having been blown off centuries before the eruption that destroyed Pompeii. Since the year 1631 Vesuvius has never been wholly at rest. In that year 18,000 lives were lost. The clouds of steam that came from the rush of water into the hot mass below the surface condensed and fell in a boiling rain that scorched everything with which it came in contact. The very sea drew back the skirts of its dark blue robe and then swept forward again far beyond its old limits. The last of the great convulsions before the recent one occurred in 1872. Then, like this one, there was a great lava flow, together with throwing up of burning rock and the fall of ashes upon the surrounding country.

Vesuvius is one of a group of similar mountains in the Mediterranean Sea, its comrades being Atna, Stromboli and Vultano, which last gave the name to all mountains of this kind. That, in turn, was called after Vulcan, the god who made the armor for the fighting deities of the ancient world and forged the very thunderbolts of Jove himself. His workshop was under Mount Atna. There the inhabitants of the hillsides heard him shaping great masses of iron with his terrible hammer stroke while the nameless slaves of the forge, dimly imagined creatures of that old day, blew the gigantic bellows and held great bars in place, while the master worked. The Greeks with even their learning, did not inquire into the scientific reasons for the mighty utterings of the mountain; they knew what the awful roar of those volcanic mountains meant. And our wise men, with their figures and books, know little of what is going on in the fiery caverns under the earth's thin crust.

Nature soon heals her scars. Already, we are told in dispatches, spots of green have appeared on the blackened sides of Mount Pelce, and it will not be very long before the olive and the vine and the clustering villages will find their way back again to the slopes of Vesuvius.



VEVUSIUS IN ERUPTION.

life, customs and mannerisms of the Italian have been pictured by him in stories which have made him famous. In his cabled description to the New York Times Crawford stated that the recent eruption of Vesuvius had been grumbling for many weeks before the outbreak which did the incalculable damage.

Smoke Two-Miles High.

"An enormous volume of black smoke rises to a height of two miles above the crater," he wrote. "Incandescent masses of stone are thrown up 3,000 feet. A continuous southeasterly wind carries the ashes over Naples, which is so completely enveloped in darkness that for three days our communications by sea have been cut off."

"Fissures have opened far below the cone, emitting many streams of lava, one of which has completely destroyed the town of Boscorease, which had 10,000 inhabitants. Another has reached the outskirts of Torre del Greco. Others have destroyed thousands of acres of fertile cultivated land, with farmhouses and stock.

"The great cone of Vesuvius collapsed with awful thundering and flames, and the cable railway, the observatory and the large hotel near it were all totally destroyed. The lava carried vast masses of burnt stone and sulphur on its surface like dross on melted lead, and nothing was visible toward Boscorease but endless acres of dark scorciae, broken here and there by the greenish curling smoke of sulphur.

Feeble Attempts of Man Useless.

"When the stream of fire threatened across its path in the hope of diverting its course, but the molten stream advanced like a colossal serpent of fire turning its head to the right and left as a snake does, but keeping its general direction toward the fated town. It was not till it reached the first house, sending up great showers of sparks, that the people finally fled for their lives.

"I saw men, women and children, and infants whose mothers carried them at the breast or in their aprons. Dogs, too, and cats were on the cars, and sometimes even chickens, tied together by the legs, and piles of mattresses and pillows, all white with dust under the lurid glare. We ourselves could hardly breathe."

This dispatch corresponds exactly in detail to Pliny's letters. The same flaming mountain and shaking earth, the same stifling smoke and ashes, the same terrifying darkness and the same helpless, distracted crowd stretching vain hands to their gods for succor.

Originally Vesuvius was in the form of a single cone. Later eruptions have broken down the southern side of the original crater, leaving the northern semi-circle, which is called Monte Somma. A smaller central cone had grown up within the ancient ruin. It is this inner cone that had its top blown off. Before the recent eruption the height of the mountain was about 4,000 feet.

Destroyed by an Earthquake

On the morning of December 8, 1812, all without warning, came a great catastrophe. While the church was crowded with kneeling worshippers a shock of earthquake visited the valley and toppled the great stone tower over upon the roof, crashing through which it buried the congregation beneath the wreckage of beams, tiles and stones, and upward of forty human beings lost their lives in the twinkling of an eye. This earthquake ranks in severity with that of Charleston, in 1886. So great was the disaster that, although the mission continued to be conducted



THE OLD WELL IN THE COURTYARD.

for twenty-two years longer, no attempt seems to have been made by the padres to restore the church edifice, and it and its adjoining buildings and cloisters have remained to this day an imposing and beautiful ruin. Touched gently by Time's hand, dignified in outline and rich in color, it is replete with subjects for the artist and is the admiration of every traveler. With the restoration of the buildings the intention is to create here a college for the priesthood as at Santa Barbara, and to make of San Juan Capistrano an important factor in the work of the Roman Catholic Church in Southern California.

THE LOVE OF ALARIC.

Beneath the outflung branches of a mighty oak tree, a giant who had stood sentinel in that lonely dip on the wolds for twice three hundred years, two men were standing, their figures made more or less distinct by the rays of a big, conical lantern of antique pattern that the elder of the two carried in his gaunt and bloodless fingers, a figure strangely akin to the giant tree beneath which he stood.

An aged man was Zachary Doy, his back bent by years of hard labor such as few of the modern generation of laborers know; a man who had been an experienced farmhand, while the man beside him, his master, was still a pulsing infant.

The old fellow set down his lantern on the iron-bound earth. His quavering voice stabbed the silence. "Now, do 'ee harken unto me, Master Alaric," he said slowly. "I've served 'ee faithful, you and your feyther afore 'ee, for nigh on fifty year, and I tell 'ee master, that what 'ee do purpose for to do is again all right and reason. This yere oak tree—the Kingscote Oak, as all the country-side do know her for to be—ha' bin here as a landmark and a pride for longer than us poor souls can reckon. To cut her down do mean, as I be right well assured, that Kingscote luck will fall w' 'im. If so be—"

Alaric Kingscote broke in upon his garrulity with a forced laugh.

"If Kingscote luck could fall lower than it has, Zachary," he said bitterly, "you need have little fear that I would bark with 'ee. Now, hear me, old friend. This tree represents the last thing upon the farm that can bring in the money I must have to tide over the bad times in store. The merchants have offered me two hundred pounds for the tree. There's only one rotten limb upon it. They'll come tomorrow with their carts and take it away." He laid his hand upon the old man's shoulder. "Get you home to bed, Zachary," he added gently. "You can do nothing here. It's 9 o'clock now. By midnight, with

so many years. He never once looked back. For a few seconds Alaric Kingscote stood looking after him, then, with a strangely fierce gesture, the young fellow flung off his rough tweed coat, removed the Cardigan waistcoat that covered the breadth of his chest, and turned up the sleeves of his coarse flannel shirt.

At the foot of the oak lay the woodman's huge axe that was to be the instrument of death, that was to cut short the growth of centuries.

Alaric Kingscote swung the great weapon aloft, and the cold starlight ran along the shining steel. Like some Viking warrior of old—like the re-embodiment of one of his Saxon forebears, Alaric brought down the tool of destruction with a blow that gashed deep into the congealed skin of the oak. The doom of the Kingscote Oak had been proclaimed.

As he stood braced up for the second stroke, the bulging sinews of his forearm responding to the generous rise of chest and thigh muscles, a curious sound from behind him caused him to swing round with a faint cry. Then he lowered the axe with amazing gentleness.

Another figure had appeared upon the scene—the figure of a woman, clad in a cloak of fur that hid the contour of her form.

"Damaris!" The word fell from the young man's lips like a caress.

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"So you've come," he said softly. "You see I am as good as my word. The Kingscote Oak must go. It is the last link between me and the workhouse—for it almost comes to that."

It was evident that the relationship between these two was something more binding than the ordinary ties existing between casual acquaintances of opposite sex. Each seemed to accept the situation as inevitable. Then the girl went on, hurriedly:

"You'll catch cold, Alaric, dear, if you stand still without your coat in this bitter cold. Let me hold the lantern for you while you work."

She snatched up the light. He, obedient to her injunction, applied his weapon with renewed vigor. The lamplight threw a warm glow over his weather-tanned face and muscular arms.

For a time he labored on, his whole being concentrated on the performance of his herculean task. After a space he paused to rest. A great wound on the mighty bole of the oak showed how sure had been his strenuous endeavors.

When he ceased she broke into quick speech. "It seems incredible," she murmured, "that you, a Kingscote, of the same race, the same blood as ourselves, should be forced to toil like this—like a common laborer." The man came quickly forward, and flung his arm around her waist. Their lips met in a kiss that could not be mistaken for a mere cousinly salutation.

"Damaris Kingscote," he said, steadily enough, "let us be frank one with the other. What are the facts? I am the poor relation—the blot on the family 'scutcheon' of the squire, your father. He resents my proximity; loathes the very idea of our love; therefore he has brought his batteries to bear upon me and mine. All that he could do to ruin me he has done, and heaven knows that he had been successful enough."

The girl's eyes brimmed over with tears. Alaric was quick to note her ready sympathy and, he gripped his axe anew, the silence vibrating once more with the ringing cadence of his rhythmic blows.

Presently he rested once again.

"Damaris," he said, "did you ever hear the legend that runs in our branch of the family, that but for some strange whim of chance I should have been in the squire's place today, the ruler of the destiny of Kingscote Glebe Farm? From father to son the tradition has been handed down that Nigel Kingscote, the cavalier, juggled in some unknown way with the laws of succession—that it was not the son of the eldest son who was your own father's ancestor, but mine; that could the truth only be known aright I should be reigning at Kingscote Manor instead of being what I am a pauper, fated to cut down the family tree to raise a pitiful sum of money that must be procured."

Alaric stood speechless and Alaric once more resumed his heavy task. Finally, after long and weary toil, the end came. With a cry to the girl, Alaric flung down his axe and leaped backward. His hand sought hers. Side by side drawn apart from the tottering giant, they stood as though spellbound, the only spectators of the end of so many hundred years of silent, strenuous majesty.

And even as the mighty tree went shuddering to its tremendous fall, a crack as of a pistol shot, foreshadowed its overthrow. The noise came from the one rotten bough that the tree had possessed a huge limb some half-way up its stem, which now detached first from its parent crashed down at the very feet of the wondering couple.

Nor was that all. A metallic thinkle accompanied the crash. Damaris was the first to recognize the solution of the puzzle.

It was a metal canister—a long, time-stained box of rusted tin, closed at both ends—a thing of mystery, of untold possibilities. She picked it up, and as she did so one end fell away. The canister contained nothing but a stained yellow piece of parchment, upon which something was written in a close and crabbed caligraphy, archaic, hard to decipher.

Alaric swung the lantern up from the ground.

"What is it, Damaris?" he asked breathlessly.

Slowly, laboriously, the girl read out the following amazing declaration: "Mayhap a day will come when that which I, Nigel Kingscote, do set down here in writing, in the year of Grace, 1647, and do hide in the hole of the Kingscote Oak, may be set out in the clear light of day. And even as Esau of old did sell his birthright, so do I, Nigel Kingscote, head of the house of Kingscote, renounce my right and the right of those who come after me to the true and lawful possessors of the fair lands of Kingscote Manor."

"Yet not voluntarily do I this, but for the life of him, my son. Know, then, that I must flee the country. Cromwell, the regicide, hath decreed that I shall die. Therefore, have I

given my infant son to my younger brother James, who will bring up my son as his own.

"Thus it may come to pass that the descendants of Nigel, my son, may be passed over in the right of succession by the descendants of Richard, the eldest son of my younger brother James, who stands well in the eye of Cromwell the regicide and renegade. "And that this be true, and that Nigel, supposed younger son of James Kingscote, of Kingscote Manor, be really the eldest son of Nigel Kingscote, eldest son of Alaric Kingscote, father of Nigel and James and therefore heir to the Manor of Kingscote, its hereditaments, messuages, and all that do thereto appertain, and his seed hereafter born, if so be there should be any, I do most solemnly swear and protest in the presence of witnesses. To which I do set my hand and seal this sixteenth day of March, one thousand six hundred and forty-seven.

Signed: Nigel Kingscote, in the presence of Rupert Mainwaring, Knight Banneret of Mainwaring Hall, in the County of Berkshire, and Anselm Wolf, Priest."

The parchment fluttered crisply from the girl's nerveless hands. "Damaris!" cried Alaric hoarsely—"Damaris!" Coherent speech he could not find.

The girl raised her head. "It is true—it is true!" she said brokenly. "We, father and I, are the usurpers! Kingscote Manor is yours, and we are—paupers!"

"Not paupers, dearest, but partners," answered Alaric, and in his eyes there was that which told her how Kingscote love stood wind and weather as steadily as Kingscote Oak.

Squire Kingscote now sleeps with his fathers in the little Berkshire churchyard. But ere he died his declining years were brightened by the generous forgiveness of "the undesirable poor relation."

A young and sturdy sapling oak now flourishes on the spot where stood the ancient tree—a true symbol of the lasting power of Kingscote luck and Kingscote love—Answers.

TO RENOVATE WICKER CHAIRS.

To renovate a shabby wicker chair first cleanse the wicker thoroughly, using a scrubbing brush and plenty of soap and water. When dry, the chair can be varnished, or it can be greatly improved with a coating of two of green stain.

For the seat make a cushion of green linen or a pretty greenish cretonne. Another cushion for the back may be liked, and is easily made. Make it of the same material as the seat cushion and of bag shape, longer than wide. It may be fastened to the chair by means of tapes sewed at the top and bottom.

If a loose cushion be preferred, a pretty yellow linen would look nice and contrast well with the green. Make the case slip fashion, so that it can be easily washed. An unbleached calico bag will be good enough for the down with which the cushions are filled.

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QUEEN OF FLOWERS.

Theme of the Poet and the Artist—the Rose.

GUY ELLIOTT MITCHELL.

Roses—queens of the American flower garden! The increasing tendency of people to patronize the rural sections, and the steadily increasing love for flowers, with the impulse to cultivate the small garden found in the city and the rural homes brings into prominence the flower of kings and of favorites—and of the humblest menial—the rose.

It is astonishing what varied types in nature there are of this flower, and how world-wide is its distribution. Wild roses are found from frigid Lapland to tropic India. The rose has the honor of being the first cultivated flower. For a long time it was a rare possession, but with the general and active love of nature that is a marked characteristic of the present times much has been learned about the culture of flowers in general, and of the rose in particular, and its special requirements are better understood.

While verandas and trellises of country homes may have their honeysuckles, and lilacs may bloom in abundance, nothing excels in beauty or fragrance the climbing roses when in their gorgeous and glorious bloom. There is no flower beset with more difficulties to grow, yet its cultivation is increasing. The harder it is to produce a beautiful thing the more highly it is prized.

Most Important Groups.

Roses of to-day are of complex lineage, for old and new species have been crossed and recrossed until now our cultivated roses are divided into more than thirty general groups. The most important of these are: Moss, Rugosa, Hybrid Teas, Persian roses and a few June roses among the stiff, upright growing sorts of medium to tall growth; Polyanthus, upright but dwarf, and Teas, of low or half recumbent habit. The latter, by some classifiers, are again sub-divided into China, Bourbon, etc., of which classes the teas and hybrid teas are the most beautiful. They bloom longer than other types, hence they have been most widely grown.

For colder climates the hybrid perpetuals are a most valuable class, being generally hardier and larger bloomers, though they do not bloom so

Roses must have good air and plenty of it, without being too much exposed; hence an elevated situation is better than one that is lower or stagnant. They should not, however, be exposed to too violent winds, for the foliage cannot stand whipping.

Sometimes the protection of a clump of trees is sought, but unless the plants are set well away from them they will be robbed of plant food by the roots of the trees. To take advantage of this kind of protection the roses should be set twenty-five feet further away from the trees than the latter's height.

The protection of buildings should be avoided, for so completely do these stop the circulation of air that mildew and blights follow from sheltered locations of this character. There are, however, exceptions to this rule, for sometimes in an elevated position there will be suitable circulation of air even close to a building. This depends largely upon the prevailing winds and the exposure of the locality.



THE QUEEN BEATRICE—ONE OF THE NEWEST ROSES.

The hot noonday sun is very hard upon the blossoms, and if the rose bed could be so located as to get a shadow cast from a clump of trees for two hours after noon such a location would be ideal.

The greatest pleasure to be derived from flowers is to have them for the freest possible use and to give to friends and others who may otherwise not be able to have them.

The soil needs to be well suited and properly prepared. For hybrid perpetuals a heavy soil is better, one that has some portion of clay in its composition. The rose requires for its best development a cool, moist soil, and for this reason the heavier type is better, carrying as it does a large amount of moisture, and being also a little lower in temperature.

THE GOLDEN ETOILE DE LYON.

long as the teas. These have been obtained by crossing the French and Damask roses with the China rose.

Roses are propagated by cuttings, by budding, grafting and layering. All varieties will not root equally well from cuttings and layers, and budding is largely done.

The budding roses have to be carefully watched, for being started on strong briar and Manetti roots they

of great value in getting the finest blooms and the longest bud development. Good wood dirt is excellent.

Fine, strong plants, set while entirely dormant, should give a satisfactory quantity of flowers the first summer. In planting, the tops should be cut down to two or three buds.

Many fall at this point to prune close enough. On well grown plants there is usually too much wood left. The desire to obtain blossoms the first summer is so great that frequently the entire top is left to grow, which is too much for the root to support.

The reverse should be done, for by close pruning the few buds left will develop into strong, vigorous shoots that will produce buds, and only by this practice can they be surely obtained.

A good general rule to follow in pruning is to cut severely all teas, hybrid teas and kinds that do not make strong growth, and to cut all strong growing kinds moderately. The more luxuriant a bush grows the less pruning will be required, but the weakest growing kinds require the severest pruning.

While florists have their own way of propagating roses, amateurs usually get a start of everblooming roses either from cuttings of the blooming wood, or from cuttings of mature wood rooted during winter while in a semi-dormant

condition. The latter is the surest method for the inexperienced flower grower.

How to Grow Cuttings.

How can you root summer cuttings? Make a 4 or 5-inch cutting of a rose branch that is coming into bloom, or is just through blooming. Cut just below an eye, leaving a small "heel" or strip of bark attached. Trim off the lower set of leaves even with the wood. Leave the end leaf entire and trim the leaf or two remaining back to the first pair of leaflets. Insert these cuttings in wet sand up to the last eye. Put them in the window and keep constantly damp until they root, which should be in from 3 to 4 weeks. Tear roots easily by this method.

To root from semi-dormant wood: About the beginning of autumn, September in the North, October in the South, take your cuttings. Several may be made from one cane, as pretty well ripened wood roots after this method as well as any. Make the cuttings about 6 inches long. Cut just below an eye, making a slanting cut, and trim off the lower leaves. Now dig a hole by the parent bush. Put a handful of sand at the bottom if you have it, and put in your cuttings, setting them one inch apart and firming the earth very solidly about them. Only about an inch of the upper stem should project above the ground. Put a glass jar over the cuttings, sinking the jar well into the ground, then bank up the earth a couple of inches around the can. Let the cuttings, jar and all, rigidly alone until spring is well advanced. It will be found then that nearly every cutting has rooted. This plan seems to be a success wherever it is tried, North, South, East or West. Nearly all hybrid teas and perpetuals root well in this way. So do moss, memorial and ramblers roses.

In the culture of roses the greatest trials and disappointments are met with in the insects that persistently attack them and of which there are many. One of the first in the early summer is the green fly or aphid.

How to Kill the Aphid.

This will be discovered on the tips of the bushes and also upon the buds and about their stems. The insects suck the sap from these tender parts and greatly check the growth and development of the buds. Dusting with hellebore will keep them in check, or they may be sprayed with one pound of caustic potash, whale oil soap dissolved in eight gallons of water. This is easy work.

One of these insects will be the progenitor of over 5,000 million descendants at the end of five generations, which makes the discovery and prompt treatment of the first ones highly important.

The leaf roller is another enemy that rolls up the leaves and also works upon the buds, eating small holes in the ends.

Then there are other caterpillars, the young of moths and butterflies, that feed upon the foliage and also upon the buds. These should be hand picked or crushed, as it is difficult to reach them after they have protected themselves by the folding of the leaves.

The rose bug or rose chafer is a small brown beetle that appears in

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June and usually in large numbers. The eggs are laid in the soil, generally in light or sandy land; they are not often troublesome in heavy soil.

Paris green and other poisons do not have much effect upon them. Arsenate of lead, when used in strong solutions (two and a half ounces to a gallon), will keep them quite well in check, but this material discolors the foliage.

In the early morning, when the bugs are somewhat dormant, they may be picked off by hand, or knocked into a pan of kerosene held underneath the branches. This is a most difficult pest to control. It will also attack grapes and other fruits.

The rose slug is the larva of the saw fly, which comes out of the ground in May. The female deposits eggs in cuts made in the leaves. The eggs hatch in about twelve days after they are laid.

They are a soft-bodied insect similar to the snail, and may be readily destroyed by dusting with hellebore or by the whale oil soap spray. They soon seriously injure the foliage if not kept in check.

Another very troublesome insect and enemy of the rose is the rose hopper or thrips. These are small, white flies that come in swarms, and they work mainly on the under side of the leaves.



A CUTTING READY TO PLANT.

They will fly off when you are attempting to treat them.

The white grub is another parasite upon roses, the list of which is becoming somewhat formidable. This grub comes from eggs deposited in the ground by the June bug or May beetle.

After pairing, the male dies, while the female bores down in the soil, depositing her eggs from six to eight inches deep. The small white grubs which are hatched from these live upon the grass roots or the roots of other plants.

In making up the soil for the rose-beds sods frequently put in the bottom to decompose have these grubs in them, and as they live in the grub form for three years, they frequently eat the roots of the roses, causing them to wither and often to die. On the first discovery of a wilting plant the soil should be dug over to find the grubs.

Toads Are Friends.

There are no better friends to have in the garden than the toads. If they could be protected and encouraged to live there they would eradicate many of the grubs and cutworms that do so much damage to garden plants.

The great enemy of the toad is the small boy. Bands of schoolboys have been known to go out, and in a single day, kill as many as 300 of these useful animals. The boys regard this as innocent sport, being untaught and not knowing that the toad is a most valuable insect destroyer.

To the lovers of the rose, these difficulties in its culture, great as they are, are not altogether too discouraging. They rather incite to greater energy and determination to overcome them, knowing that eternal vigilance is the price to be paid to win and to enjoy this queen and most beautiful of all flowers.

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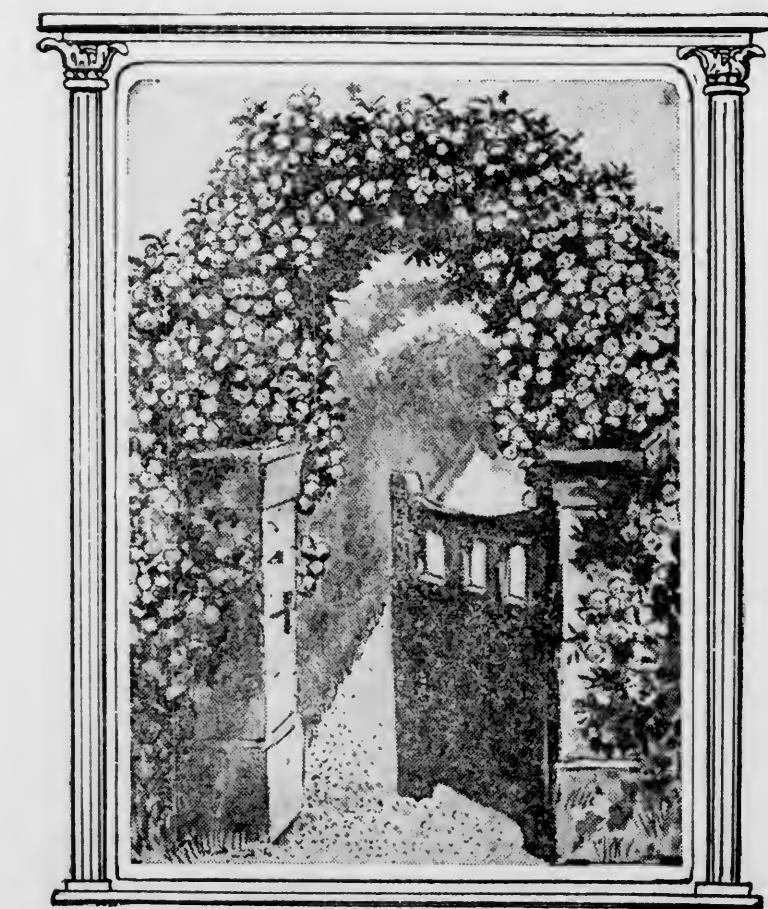
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THE OLD FASHIONED MARY WASHINGTON ROSE.

are quite apt to throw out shoots from their own roots which are vigorous and soon overcome and run out the bud. They may be readily discerned when they do come out, for their leaves and wood are of a different character from that of the bud, the wood being covered with fine, prickly spines and the leaves being seven in number of three serrations instead of five, as in most of the budded kinds.

Budded roses should be planted deep so that the bud is at least three inches below the surface of the soil, when there will be less trouble from the suckers. The roots should be examined, and any eyes or buds that are starting upon them should be carefully taken out.

The teas and hybrid teas will do better in a little lighter soil of the loam type, but for either class there must be perfect drainage.

Have Your Soil Rich.

The soil can hardly be made too rich. Well composted manure should be worked down deep into the bottom of the bed or of the rows if they are not in the latter form. This should be cow manure, as that is of a cooler nature and better suited to the requirements of the plant. Horse manure is too heating and will injure the roots if used in large quantities. Liquid manure used in a diluted form once a week after the buds are formed will be